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Jobs in Non-Farming Sector
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Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government has set target of generating 58 Lakh jobs during the 11th Five Year Plan;

(b) if so, the extent to which the said target had been achieved during the 11th Five Year Plan;

(c) whether the Union Government has set the target of generating 5 crore jobs in non-agricultural sector during the 12th Five Year Plan and if so, the details thereof and the extent to which the set target has been achieved till date; and

(d) the details of the steps taken by the Union Government to achieve the set target during the remaining period of 12th Five Year Plan?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (IC) FOR LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT
(SHRI BANDARU DATTATREYA)

(a) & (b): The Eleventh Five Year Plan had projected 58 million employment opportunities to be additionally created during the plan period 2007-12. The major areas where the employment opportunities were to be created are given in the statement annexed. The progress made in employment opportunities created during the 11th Five Year Plan period is estimated from the labour force surveys on Employment and Unemployment conducted by National Sample Survey Office (NSSO) during 2004-05 and 2009-10. During this period, around 20 million additional employment opportunities were created and the sector-wise details are given in the annexed statement.

(c) & (d): Estimates of employment and unemployment trends are obtained through labour force surveys conducted by National Sample Survey (NSS) Office, Ministry of Statistics & Programme Implementation. According to the last 3 surveys, the workforce grew from 45.91 crore in 2004-05 to 46.55 crore persons in 2009-10 and to 47.41 crore persons in 2011-12.

The 12th Five Year Plan projects 5 crore new work opportunities to be generated in the non-farm sector and provide skill certification to equivalent numbers. The National Manufacturing Policy of the Government targets to create 10 crore jobs by the year 2022.

Government has taken various steps for generating employment in the country like encouraging private sector of economy, fast tracking various projects involving substantial investment and increasing public expenditure on schemes like Prime Minister's Employment Generation Programme (PMEGP) run by Ministry of Micro, Small & Medium Enterprises, Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (MGNREGA), Pt. Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Grameen Kaushalya Yojana (DDU-GKY) scheme run by Ministry of Rural Development and National Urban Livelihoods Mission (NULM) run by Ministry of Housing & Urban Poverty Alleviation.

Government has also decided to strategically promote labour-intensive manufacturing and expand employment opportunities by promoting tourism and agro-based industries.
New schemes have also been launched which includes Pradhan Mantri Jan Dhan Yojana, Swatchh Bharat Mission (Gramin) and Seekho aur Kamao scheme was launched for the skill development of minority communities.

For skilling to provide employment, a new Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship has been established to coordinate the skill activities across Ministries. In order to improve the employability of youth, around 20 Ministries run skill development schemes across 70 sectors. According to the data compiled by National Skill Development Agency (NSDA), about 51.50 lakh persons were given skill development training in the year 2014-15 under these schemes.

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